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REPORT

TOPIC 1. Troop and Military Installations in Ostrava

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2. Troops and Military Installations in Hlucin and BohuminEVALUATION PLACE OBTAINED

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. Prior to September 1953, two military units stationed at Hlucin (P 50/O 49) frequently purchased meat in Ostrava (P 50/O 52). The two units were an AAA NCO school and a tank unit which numbered only a few enlisted men.¹
2. Prior to early September 1953, the only military unit stationed at Bohumin (P 50/O 59) was an NCO school which trained members of the PTP battalions. The school was in an old barracks installation on the northern perimeter of the city.
3. Prior to the fall of 1953, military billets of single-story buildings in the wooded area called "Belsky Les", south of Ostrava, between the Hrabove suburb and Stara Hala (P 50/O 58), quartered a large military motor-vehicle repair shop which overhauled old military vehicles before they were sold to civil agencies.² 25X1
4. Prior to March 1953, 15 to 20 four-wheeled guns were towed by prime movers to the barracks installation southeast of Ostrava between the Hranecnik and Hradvanice suburbs. The muzzle which had a muzzle brake pointed forward. The barrels had recoil brakes and recuperators installed over and under the barrel. Soldiers of this unit wore black epaulets.³
5. In early 1953, billets of numerous low wooden buildings which quartered soldiers wearing red epaulets were about 1,300 meters southsouthwest of Ostrava airfield. About 250 men were seen marching in this area. Tatra trucks towing guns which allegedly included heavy and light models.⁴ 25X1
6. In late February 1953, the Prostějov (P 50/N 73) military district headquarters summoned members of the 1933 class to appear for registration in May 1953. No members of the 1934 class were summoned. numerous air-men and soldiers wearing red epaulets in the streets of the Prostějov post.⁵ 25X1
1. Comment. The tank SP unit of the 7th Div is carried in Hlucin. The present 25X1 report confirms the unit prior to September 1953. The AAA NCO school mentioned in the present information possibly belongs to the AAA battalion of this division which was not covered by previous reports.
2. Comment. In the fall of 1951, this barracks installation allegedly quartered elements of the 8th Inf Regt.

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3. [] Comment. The present report confirms that this barracks installation quarters a medium or heavy AAA unit. [] 25X1
4. [] Comment. The information on the registration of the 1933 class in May 1953 confirms several previous reports. It is believed that the rest of the 1932 class and the bulk of the 1933 class were inducted in the fall of 1957.
5. [] Comment. The units stationed at Prostějov were not clearly identified. It is believed that, aside from Air Force units, elements of the 14th Mech Div in Olomouc are stationed at the post.

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